

Soil Legends

A soil legend includes a list of symbols and names that identify each soil map unit in the soil survey area. The symbol serves as a link between the soil map sheets, soil map unit descriptions, and tables with soil properties and interpretations for different uses. Soil legends are present on many different soil survey products.

Map unit symbols vary by county and can consist of numbers, letters, or a combination of numbers and letters (examples: 41, Co, HoB2, 11C, L44B). Each unique map unit symbol represents a kind of soil or miscellaneous land area. A capital letter of A, B, C, D, E, F, or G following a number or lower case letter indicates the class of slopes. Soil map unit symbols without a slope letter are for those map units that are nearly level. A final number of 2 following a letter indicates the soil is eroded. A number 3 indicates that the soil is severely eroded. Miscellaneous areas with a considerable range of slope may not have a slope class indicated.

To obtain a County map unit legend, click on the link **Map Unit Legend** in this section.

To obtain a County legend with acres and proportionate extent of the soils, click on the link **Acreage and Proportionate Extent of the Soils** in this section.